

## Calgary athlete scoops gold at paralympics

**SPRINT** One-legged sprinter Earle Connor made Calgary proud yesterday as he captured Gold in the Beijing Paralympics.

Connor, 32, catapulted the last 50 metres to win the Gold in the men's T42 100 metre sprint with 12.32 seconds.

Only four years ago Connor was suspended right before the Athens Paralympics after he tested positive during a drug test. Connor said the testosterone and nandralone were a result of a treatment he was using during a cancer scare. Connor is an above the knee amputee who holds the world record in the event at 12.14 seconds.

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A family walks back home along a flooded street after Hurricane Ike yesterday. Rescuers made their way through piles of debris and water-filled streets in Texas seaside towns after Ike flooded hundreds of miles of U.S. coastline.

# Ill wind blows

## Hurricane Ike stuns those who stay behind

**The bridge to Galveston Island is littered with yachts, kitchen tables and a large drowned dog. One couple flees to the Texas mainland on foot, their belongings stuffed into a baby stroller.**

Despite living in a place known for a legendary hurricane in 1900 that killed 8,000 people, residents of Galveston are stunned by what Hurricane Ike has done to their lives.

Shunta Celestine rode out the storm with her three children in a brick home she thought would survive Ike's fury when it made landfall early Saturday.

It did hold, but she lost her two cars and most

everything inside the home.

"The water filled up so fast, everyone tried to go to higher ground, but it seemed the higher you got, the higher the water went," said Celestine as tears ran down her face.

"It was hell. We climbed on to the table, deep freezers, anything we could get on and then we prayed."

Block after block of the historic coastal community are flooded with a putrid mix of sewage and sea water.

It is not known how many of the beach city's 60,000 residents ignored the mandatory evacuation order, but thousands are believed to have stayed behind.

**"Everything I had is gone. I have the clothes on my back, shoes on my feet. That's what I've got."**

Brittney Majors, Hurricane Ike survivor

After Ike, some 2,000 residents have asked to be evacuated from the island, state officials said.

Celestine does not have food or water or power and the children walk around the water-soaked living room in a daze.

Her neighbour Brittney Majors came to the rescue with emergency meals and water. She moved to Galveston just a few months ago and works at Whataburger, a fast-food chain.

"Everything I had is gone," Majors said. "I have the clothes on my back, shoes on my feet. That's what I've got."

At least three bodies were found in Galveston. Damage assessment has barely begun, but early estimates suggest the bill could rise to \$18 billion.

Ike triggered the biggest disruption to U.S. energy supplies in three years and sent gas prices higher.

REUTERS

## Man in serious condition after NW shooting

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**A 46-year-old man is clinging to life in hospital after a single gunshot blast sliced through part of his arm and into his lower abdomen.**

Calgary police were called to the 100 block of Scenic Rd. NW Sunday around 8:30 a.m. for reports of gunshots and found the man, who wasn't a resident of the house, bleeding profusely, said Insp. Vic Trickett.

**"This wasn't random at all."**

Insp. Vic Trickett

"One thing about this shooting, though, the community does not have to be concerned about someone going around shooting people randomly, this wasn't random, at all," Trickett said.

The homicide unit was called in as a precautionary measure, as the man was in such serious condition, Trickett said, adding police do have some idea what the man was doing at the residence, but he couldn't release that information as the investigation is ongoing.

Katherine Dyck, who lives just down the block from the scene of the shooting, said she was just coming home from a morning walk and was startled by all the emergency vehicles that had congregated on the block, which was soon sealed off by yellow police tape.

"At first I thought someone must have had a heart-attack," said Dyck, noting the man she saw on the stretcher wasn't a resident of the home, lived in by a "very nice, quiet European couple."



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**Officer released during sentencing appeal**

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## Burn Care For Kids

The 2008 Burn Care For Kids Benefit is less than a week away. Calgarians are invited to get their tickets for the fundraiser, which features live music, at Flames Central on Saturday Sept. 20. For more information, visit [www.burncareforkids.org](http://www.burncareforkids.org).

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### News in brief

**WORKER PROJECT** A new foreign trade worker program was launched Friday in hopes of easing the city's labour shortage woes. The Calgary Catholic Immigration Society launched the temporary Foreign Worker Integration (TFW) pilot project to use cultural integration methods to improve employment retention rates.

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## Fox run brings families out

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**It was a family affair at the 28th annual Terry Fox Run yesterday as thousands of Calgarians joined together in the fight against cancer.**

Many were participating to carry on Terry Fox's legend, and others were walking in memory for lost loved ones, but all were joined in hopes of finding a cure for cancer.

Laura Coombs was joined by her two daughters and her own mother as they took part in the run for the 11th straight year.

"The four of us have been doing this together to support a good cause," Coombs told Metro. "We know people affected by cancer, but fortunately we have been lucky."

While the Coombs family carried on old traditions, another family started a new one.

The Read family — father Mac, mother Sam and three-year-old son Josh —



Mac, Josh, 3, and Sam Read all participated in the Terry Fox Run which happened at Eau Claire Market yesterday morning. This is their second time in the Run.

started their first run last year and decided to make it an annual event.

"We just thought it would be our family tradi-

tion to come down as a family and enjoy the walk for a good cause," Sam told Metro.

Last year the run raised

more than \$107,000, and run spokesperson Jonathan Moser hopes they raise at least that amount this year.

## Soccer tourney provides boost for homeless

**TEAM TRYOUT** Robert Norris was never much of a soccer player; being homeless doesn't provide much opportunity to excel at anything other than staying alive.

But Norris was given the chance, along with 39 other homeless Canadians over the weekend, to showcase what pitch skills he has, hoping to garner an elusive spot on Canada's national soccer team that will travel to Australia in December for the Homeless World Cup.

"It pumps you up, you can do things, you're not just on the street anymore, it gives you confidence like you haven't had in a long time," said Norris.

"I'll be going back to my shelter with a completely different attitude."

Norris' Calgary-based squad placed third in the tournament, which brought players from Montreal to Vancouver together in a camp to select the national team.

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Dana Fulwiler and Ashley Turgeon shop for something new and different at the Portobello Fashion and Art Market held at the Big Four Building this past weekend.

## Fashion at forefront for ‘stylish’ thousands

**PORTOBELLO** Calgary is a stylin’ city, even more so now after the fall Portobello Fashion and Art Market wrapped up yesterday. Director Carlie Smith said a few thousand “stylishly dressed” Calgarians walked through the doors at the Big Four and enjoyed the fall fashions of unique designers.

“Everyone looks so good already. Many came to the spring show and came back to enjoy their favourite designers,” Smith said.

First time visitors Ashley Turgeon and Dana Fulwiler heard through the grapevine about the show and were awed with what they found.

“I’m already really impressed with the first booth,” gushed Turgeon, adding they were checking out the latest fashions.

Fulwiler enjoyed the unique concepts and designs of the designers from Vancouver, Edmonton and Calgary.

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# W-I-N for local speller

Gopalakrishnan to compete in national championship

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**Her daughter was already a winner in her eyes, but a Calgary mother is beaming with national pride after her spelling bee whiz kid won the regional championship this weekend.**

Before ten-year-old Preetha Gopalakrishnan joined 15 other regional qualifiers in Vancouver to face-off for a Canada’s Super Speller, her mother Narayani knew she had it in her to win.

“There was no pressure on her to win. I was just so excited for her to be there. She has always been internalizing the words and is a natural,” her mother said.

Narayani said words can’t describe the excitement she felt when it came to a tight race with only one point separating her daughter and her nearest competitor, with Preetha coming out on top.

“Oh, I was totally ecstatic, totally ecstatic. I’m filled with so much joy, pride and it feels awfully good.”



Calgarian Preetha Gopalakrishnan, 10, will be going to Wolfville, Nova Scotia for Canada’s Super Speller National Final after capturing the regional title in Vancouver over the weekend.

And Preetha was delighted, too.

“I wasn’t nervous, just really excited. I thought, ‘wow, this is incredible. I just won’”, Preetha told Metro.

Now that she has won the regional portion of the competition, Preetha will be heading to Nova Scotia for the national final and a chance to win a \$20,000 RESP for the CBC television series.

# Nice hair.

(I guess if you’re reading this it’s too late to fix it!)

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# Election? What election?

Amidst the TV campaigns and lawn signs, some remain indifferent

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**The hustings have been humming across the nation for a week now, but in some Calgary circles, apathy runs deep.**

Angelina Fillier, 25, says she doesn't have enough time to keep track of political goings-on.

"It's not that I don't care, I work 60 hours a week and frankly, I try not to pay attention to the news, it's too depressing, so there's no real way to keep me informed of

## Election 2008

these things."

Likewise for James Walker, 34, who has never lifted a finger to vote and couldn't tell you what any party stands for never mind what has been going on along the national campaign front.

"I started seeing signs popping up along roadways, in front of neighbours' houses, so I knew something was going on," he said.

"I've just never been in-

**"I don't think it would matter who we put in there. It's not going to make any difference."**

George Schmidt

terested in politics."

Alberta's apathetic tendencies were put on full display for the provincial election in March, where only 41 per cent of eligible voters turned out to cast a ballot.

George Schmidt, 63,

who hasn't voted in the past three elections.

He says may never vote again.

He thinks he knows why fewer people are marking their x's on a regular basis.

"I don't think it would matter who we put in there. It's not going to make any difference," he said.

"Taxes will still go up, the world will keep on spinning as it has and my vote, even if I used it, wouldn't have made any difference anyway."

## Riding: Calgary Southeast

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The former riding of Conservative Prime Minister R.B. Bennett, Calgary Southeast was a victory for the Conservatives last time around.

They defeated their Liberal counterpart by almost 65 per cent of the popular vote.

The riding boasts a low-unemployment rate, at 4.5 per cent.

The average family income of \$95,013.



Jason Kenney

AGE: 40

PARTY: Conservative

POSITION: House of Commons MP



Brad Carroll

AGE: 55

PARTY: Liberal

POSITION: Education Analyst

"We have an MP who is an absentee landlord, an MP who is more concerned about being Stephen Harper's mouthpiece than he is about listening to his actual constituents."



### Election in brief

**THIS WEEK** Both the NDP and the Green Party are struggling to find enough candidates to run in all of Calgary's ridings. Both parties are three ridings

short of a full slate, leaving only the Conservatives and Liberals with all their Calgary candidates in place.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Researcher discovers millions of dollars available to Canadians

by James Ryder  
Financial Reporter

CALGARY – The old saying "there's no such thing as a free lunch" may be true, but according to researcher Chris Johnson there is "free money" available for things that cost a lot more than lunch!

Johnson, who lives with his wife in Surrey, BC, spent two years digging into hundreds of programs at all levels of government in Canada – federal, provincial and city – and he discovered that "free money" does indeed exist. He also discovered there are thousands of private foundations and other organizations who also make funds available.

"When I first began my research," says Johnson, "I wasn't sure that I would find much. But I soon found out there's free money available for all kinds of things."

Here are a few examples of what Johnson uncovered.

If you're a business owner or entrepreneur there is money available to start a business, expand a business, hire new employees, buy new equipment, buy new vehicles, develop new products, fund new research, plus countless

other opportunities. There are grants, subsidies, zero interest loans, low interest loans and even loans you don't have to ever pay back.

If you want to get an education for yourself, your employees, a child or grandchild, there are thousands of scholarships, awards and bursaries to attend college, university or trade school. Plus there are hundreds of private foundations and organizations who also make funds available for education.

If you're a real estate investor, there is money available for down payments on houses and multi-family buildings, for closing costs, to renovate and upgrade existing properties, to help your tenants pay you, to pay your mortgages, plus many other programs.

Johnson showed me a huge stack of publications from all levels of government that outline the many programs available.

I asked him the obvious question. "If there's so much



Adrienne from Calgary received \$4,229.07 for her education!

money available, why don't most Canadians know about it?"

His answer was right to the point. "Governments are good at putting money into these programs, but they spend very little money on making Canadians aware these programs exist. Most are not even advertised. And many grants, bursaries and scholarships offered by private foundations are not even listed anywhere except in obscure catalogues."

Johnson has compiled his research and is now making it available in the program **How to Unlock Canada's Free Money Vault**. Included in the program is what Johnson calls the "special key" to free money success – knowing when and how to apply so that you get the money!

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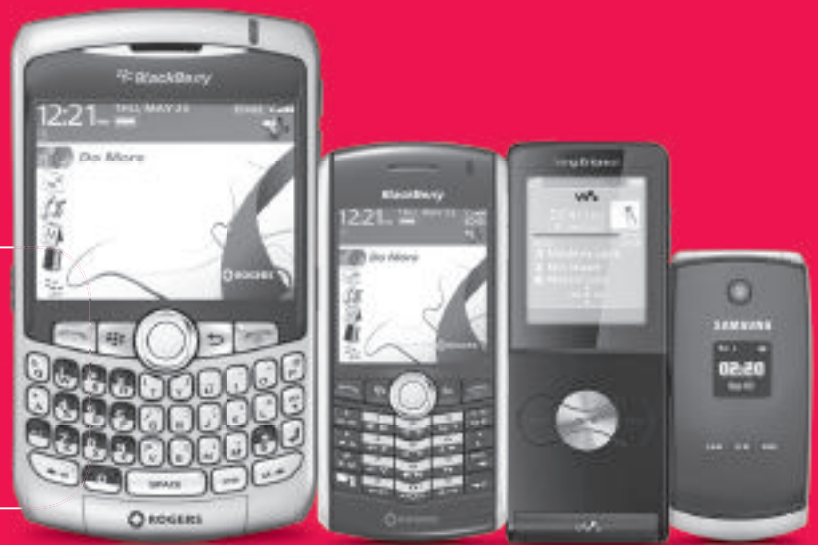
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The Kwanlin Dun First Nation in Whitehorse has won an injunction that halts the opening of tenders for construction work at the city's airport. The ruling has now delayed the \$15-million airport expansion indefinitely, while lawyers for the Kwanlin Dun make their case before a trial judge. **SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE**

# Canada



## Charest wants funding freedom

Premier Jean Charest is demanding the federal parties promise to negotiate an agreement that gives Quebec freedom to manage federally-funded cultural investments in the province. Charest, speaking to a construction group in Quebec also wants to reinstate cultural funding that was cut by Stephen Harper and return funding to non-profit organizations that are active in economic development.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Clampdown brings out party animals: Cops

**The trouble with police clampdowns on rowdy student parties is that the more charges you lay, the more headlines attract the party animals, as they're discovering this month around London's Fanshawe College.**

"Once you get that reputation for parties — they're now calling it Fun-shawe

—the message seems to be 'Come and party,'" said London Police Chief Murray Faulkner.

His officers laid a staggering 685 charges in the first two weeks of school for noise and liquor infractions, for bonfires and fighting — and even kicking a cat so hard it had to be put down. In this zero-

## money and polls

- McMaster University spends about \$40,000 per year to hire off-duty police officers to patrol student neighbourhoods

- Pollsters refuse to conduct student drinking polls during the Fall because the numbers are inflated, they say.

tolerance blitz, nearly 200 of those charged were not students. Campuses

around the world are scrambling for new ways to fight age-old Town-and-

Gown tensions that can erupt in mid-sized university towns where students are clustered together.

"We hear from officials with the same problems in Italy, New Zealand, Germany, the United States, the U.K. — wherever large groups of people at the same stage in life are spreading their wings and

experimenting," said association past president Kaye Crawford, manager of community relations for the city of Waterloo, which has the highest student-to-citizen ratio in Canada.

Flyers reminding students of local bylaws and increased policing are two deterrents used by the schools. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

## Protests held for resisters

**VOTES** Protesters gathered outside Edmonton City Hall this weekend, urging people to vote for parties supporting asylum for American soldiers who come to Canada to avoid fighting in the Iraq war, CBC News reported.

About 20 rallies from British Columbia to Newfoundland were held to support American soldiers seeking refugee status as conscientious objectors against the war in Iraq.

Protesters said the Conservatives are the only party that supports sending war resisters back to the U.S., while the opposition parties all supported a non-binding motion passed in the House of Commons in June to allow American war resisters to stay.

There are an estimated 200 U.S. war resisters in Canada. Pte. Robin Long, was the first to be deported.

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## organizers

- The Edmonton rally was organized by the Council of Canadians and the Edmonton Coalition Against War and Racism.

## News in brief

**QUEBEC** Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe pulled the Quebec constitutional debate into the federal election campaign mix, calling on Conservative Leader Stephen Harper to enshrine Quebec's status as a nation in the Canadian Constitution, CBC news reported. In 2006, Harper succeeded in passing a motion in the

"recognizing that the Québécois form a nation within a united Canada." Duceppe's demand comes as the Bloc leader has faced stinging criticism during the election campaign from separatists saying his party has sidelined its mandate in its work towards Quebec sovereignty.

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## Nova Scotia Snow surprise



Four-year-old Alexander Meade looks surprised as he plays with a snowball he made from the snow a Zamboni dropped off behind the rink at Cole Harbour Place this weekend in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. NHL star Sidney Crosby trains at the arena in the off season.

## Withdrawal date sound, says MacKay

**AFGHANISTAN** Setting a date to end Canada's combat role in Afghanistan by 2011 is consistent with the will of Parliament Defence Minister Peter MacKay said yesterday and said it was not a signal that the country is going to "cut and run" from the mission.

Peter MacKay

MacKay said the Afghan pullout, announced by Conservative leader Stephen Harper, was in line with a resolution passed last May, extending the mission past its original end date of 2009, CBC News reported.

Retired Canadian major-general Lewis Mackenzie suggested last week that publicly setting a date for pulling troops out of a war zone could embolden the Taliban. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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**Opposition bucking conservative trend: Stephen Harper**

The prime minister said Saturday that his opponents were failing to recognize that Canadians have become more conservative. **REUTERS**

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# Outrage at pumps over gas price hikes

**PHILIP CROUCHER**  
for Metro Canada



**Halifax drivers are still fuming one day after gas prices skyrocketed 12 cents a litre at stations throughout the city.**

"I think it's pathetic," said Eastern Passage's Cynthia Connors as she filled up her Nissan Frontier truck at the Esso station on Robie Street early yesterday afternoon. "It is price gouging."

Exactly at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, the Nova Scotia government invoked its "interrupter clause" in response to Hurricane Ike and its affect on gasoline supplies in North America. The province, which uses a regulated system in setting prices, matched similar increases across the country from a day earlier and the raised price by over 12 cents.

In Halifax, the price for regular self serve has jumped from just under



High gas prices have left people fuming.

\$1.31 per litre to just more than \$1.43.

Normally, gas prices are set each Friday, but the "interrupter clause" can be used in case of extreme market conditions.

In the wake of Hurricane Ike, which made landfall in Texas on Saturday, several major oil refineries in the Gulf Coast of the United States shut down opera-

tions, causing gas prices to shoot up.

"I absolutely think they're trying to make a quick buck," Digby's Barry Kendall said of the oil companies as he put gas into his Chevrolet HHR. "There's no way something that is just happening should affect our prices so quickly."

Connors spent \$80 to fill-up her truck, which was about a quarter full. Connors was heading to Port Hawkesbury where she attends school during the week.

"I won't be coming home every weekend now," she proclaimed. "Every three weekends, maybe."

Initial reports say the refineries in the path of Ike received limited damage, but it's unclear when they will be back in working order. It's also unclear when, and if, prices will come down as a result.

"I expect it will be nice and slow," Kendall said.

## Newfoundland **Protester arrested at Tory rally**



CHRIS WATTE/REUTERS

RCMP officers arrest and escort an unidentified man from a campaign rally for Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Harbour Grace, Nfld., on Saturday.

## Woman's death prompts negligence charges against bartender, owner

**RYAN SMITH**  
for Metro Canada



**ALCOHOL** A young woman's death from drinking too much alcohol has resulted in criminal charges against a bar owner and his bartender at Skip's Bar

in Calmar, Alta.

Tammy Kobylka, 22, died in October 2007 from "acute ethanol toxicity," according to a medical examiner.

Brian Cameron Bromley, 61, and his company, SBH Enterprises Inc., have been charged with criminal neg-

ligence in Kobylka's death.

Derek Allen Tithecott, 33, has been charged with criminal negligence causing death and committing to an unlawful act in relation to the case.

The two men are scheduled to appear in court Thursday.



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# Backwards – the way to read an ad

How you say something, especially on TV, can be even more important than what you say

**MIKE TENNANT**  
for Metro Canada



One of the best ways to interpret advertising, election or otherwise, is to learn to read an ad backwards — or sdrawkcb, for those who already possess the skill.

To that end, let me teach you a little game I've learned after 25 years in the marketing business. When you first see a campaign ad, go backwards in your mind

and imagine yourself at the meeting where it was first conceived. Now imagine someone presenting the "brief": A document outlining the need for the ad and its specific objective. The content of an ad brief is usually a jealously guarded secret, which makes the guessing game all the more fun.

I'll show you what I mean: Consider a Conservative ad running this past week, featuring a Stephen Harper monologue. He's talking about ... well ... for our purpose it doesn't matter be-

## News analysis

cause an essential part of so many TV ads is unspoken. Herein lies one of the poorest-kept secrets in my trade: How you say something, especially in a TV ad, can be as important — even more important — than what you say.

The ad opens on the prime minister in a wing chair in a homey environment. He's wearing a light blue shirt and a dark sweater vest. The colour of his eyes evokes memories of

Lake Louise in June. He's leaning forward in a heart-to-heart manner; his tone is soft and friendly. An occasional downward glance suggests he's searching his heart — if not the carpet fibres — for just the right words. Most importantly, we hear a touchy-feely piano track, the kind that screams, "Please, someone, hug me!"

Now, work backwards with me to the meeting that first begat the Harper ad. I'll bet the brief presented that day might have read something like this:

Required: 30-second TV

## On the web

- See [www.conservative.ca/EN/4579/102760](http://www.conservative.ca/EN/4579/102760) for the Stephen Harper ad referred to in Mike Tennant's column.

ad. Objective: Portray the PM as warm, human, emotional. Background: Designed to soften the opposition-inspired image of the PM as an iceman-ideologue, more interested in policy abstractions than in people and what affects them personally. Ad should reveal warmth within PM's often

cool-looking exterior. Wardrobe note: Go with a dark sweater vest — it's slimming.

The trick to this game is remembering that every ad is about solving a problem. By seeing a campaign ad as a solution, you can usually work backwards, and deduce the problem that inspired it. If nothing else, it's a nifty way to sneak a look inside a party's campaign playbook.

Mike Tennant is a freelance ad writer and co-creator/writer of Terry O'Reilly and the Age of Persuasion on CBC Radio One.



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## News in brief

**TRAVEL** The Jack Layton campaign criss-crossed the nation this past week flying a total of 22.8 hours, or 13,484 kilometres, and landing in 11 cities stretching from Vancouver to St. John's. The New Democratic Party leader visited six provinces and one territory.

**VOTES** In 2006, 14,908,703 votes were cast. More than 1,561,039 voters cast their ballots at more than 3,371 polling stations on the three days of advance voting before election day.

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**29** days remain until the 2008 Canadian federal election





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# Working families on Harper's agenda

PM expected to make announcement today

**Stephen Harper takes his campaign into the key battlegrounds of Ontario and Quebec this week, promising to step up attacks on the NDP and the Green party.**

The prime minister kicks off Week 2 of the campaign in the nation's capital this morning before heading to southwestern Ontario where he's expected to make a series of "affordable" announcements aimed at "improving the quality of life for working families," a party strategist said yesterday.

And expect Harper to sprinkle his daily speeches with criticisms of the Green party and the New Democrats, a Conservative strategist said.

## Flying the friendly skies

• The verdict is in — reporters have christened Stephen Harper's campaign plane. The winning name is Sweater Vest Jet, a nod to Harper's carefully calculated image move this cam-

paign to dress casually at some stops. The name beat out Fruit Fly, which was in reference to Harper's response last week that he considered himself more of a fruit than a vegetable.

That's a response to what he claims is a shift in popular support away from the Liberals to these two other parties in the campaign's early days.

"They're beginning to challenge the Liberals as our prime opponent in a number of key areas," the strategist told reporters yesterday. "Liberal support seems to be gravitating to the other two opposition parties."

And he singled out NDP Leader Jack Layton in particular, saying the NDP — not the Liberals — have been serving as the official opposition to the government.

"While the Liberals were abstaining from votes and retreating in a number of issues, the NDP were standing firm," the strategist said.

"I think it has served them well," he said.

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## Dion puts rocky start behind him

Brushing aside the Liberal party's dismal showing in the polls, Stéphane Dion heads back out on the election trail today convinced he is running a campaign that may have winning potential.

### Surprise

• Dion also has to find a way to better connect personally with voters. By the end of last week, his more relaxed, friendly demeanour was surprising audiences expecting to hear from a stuffy policy wonk.

Dion feels he has put his rocky start behind him.

"I'm very satisfied," he said in Vancouver on the weekend when reporters asked how he felt about his first week on the

campaign trail. After a string of glaring Conservative gaffes and impressive turnouts at his events in Vancouver on Friday and Saturday, Dion appears much more upbeat and at ease as he addresses the public.

The challenge for Dion now is to keep hammering home his key messages, especially his complex and politically risky green plan.

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Supporters applaud NDP Leader Jack Layton as he speaks at a brunch yesterday in Gatineau, Que.

## Layton will continue to hound Harper

NDP Leader Jack Layton will ratchet up his attack on Prime Minister Stephen Harper in the second week of the campaign in addition to making cornerstone announcements on health care and poverty, a party spokesman says.

With Layton ahead of Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion in polls on who would be the best prime minister, party spokesman Brad Lavigne said the campaign is underscoring the need to make Harper the target, not Dion.

Layton emphasized that

point yesterday, calling Harper's government a disaster on gender issues.

**"Harper is a catastrophe for women in Canada."**

Jack Layton

"(Harper) does not like the pursuit of equality for women," Layton said in French to 100 supporters at a restaurant in Gatineau, Que. "Harper is a catastrophe for women in Canada."

Layton pointed to the government's changes last year to groups funded by Status of Women Canada — changes that included deleting the word "equality" from funding criteria.

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# World



## Plastics under review

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration this week reopens the debate over a chemical used in many plastic products, including baby bottles. The agency drafted a report last month saying bisphenol A, or BPA, was safe, but critics say strong evidence to the contrary has been ignored.

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## Obama raises record \$66 mil

**Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama's fundraising machine rollson with a record \$66 million raised in August alone and 500,000 new donors added to the ranks, a campaign spokesman said yesterday.**

Obama was running even or slightly behind his Republican rival John McCain in opinion polls but led him in the fundraising race throughout the summer.

Obama has decided not to take public funds for the

### Obama bows out of SNL spot

Barack Obama canceled his scheduled Saturday evening appearance on NBC's "Saturday Night Live" because he did

not want to be making jokes while Hurricane Ike slammed Texas this weekend. The appearance will be rescheduled.

final two months leading up to the Nov. 4 election so will need to spend some of that time raising cash.

McCain is taking public financing so will receive \$84 million from a government presidential election fund.

Obama spokesman Bill

Burton said the August figure was helped by 500,000 new donors.

The tally for the latest month exceeded the \$55 million for February, which marked a record for the Illinois senator.

The tally was also an all-time high for any presiden-

tial candidate during a primary.

The Obama campaign said its cash on hand at the end of August was more than \$77 million and that its total number of donors is now 2.5 million.

In his last month of private fundraising, McCain took in \$47 million in August, a record for the Arizona senator and a number that was helped by his announcement of his running mate, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin.

**REUTERS**

## Crash engineer failed to stop, officials say

**FAILURE** At least 25 people were killed in the head-on crash of a commuter train and a freight train near Los Angeles that rail officials attributed to the failure of the passenger train engineer to stop at a red light.

The crash, which occurred in the Los Angeles suburb of Chatsworth, was the worst U.S. rail tragedy since 1999.

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said the death toll might go higher

if any of the roughly 47 people in critical condition succumb to their injuries. About 40 others are hospitalized in serious condition.

Officials said 24 people died at the scene and a

25th died this afternoon at a hospital.

The train engineer, who was not identified, worked for a subcontractor used by Metrolink. He was believed to have died in the crash.

**REUTERS**

## Russian plane crash kills 88

**DEATHS** Engine failure caused an Aeroflot Boeing 737-500 plane to crash in Russia yesterday, killing all 88 people on board, officials said, dismissing fears of a possible terrorist attack.

The dead included 21 foreign nationals flying on the plane from Moscow to Perm in the Urals when it plunged into scrubland and railway on the edge of the city.

Aeroflot immediately said it would pay compensation of 2 million roubles, about \$83,200, to relatives of the dead.

**REUTERS**

### Pakistan Standing guard



Masked Pakistani pro-Taliban militant guards kidnapped security personnel at an undisclosed location in the troubled Swat region yesterday.

REUTERS/JOEL KHAN

## South Ossetia strike botched

**GEORGIA** Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili had long planned a strike to seize the breakaway region of South Ossetia but executed it poorly, making it easy for Russia to retaliate, his ex-defence minister Irakly Okruashvili said.

Saakashvili has always maintained Russia started the war by invading his country. But Okruashvili, who served as defence minister until 2006, said he and the president worked together on military plans to invade South Ossetia and another rebel region, Abkhazia.

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### West Bank Israelis to leave?



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An Israeli woman walks with her children in Ma'ale settlement near the West Bank city of Ramallah. Israel's vice-premier presented a proposal yesterday to pay thousands of Jewish settlers to leave their homes in the West Bank.

### News in brief

**CHILE** South American presidents are gathering in Santiago today in an effort to prevent a deeper political crisis in Bolivia, where President Evo Morales has accused right-wing opponents of trying to topple him. Morales will meet with the leaders of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Uruguay and Venezuela. About 30 people have died in the past week in clashes between supporters of Morales and right-wing governors.

**TAIWAN** A powerful typhoon packing winds of up to 160 km/h hit northeastern Taiwan yesterday, causing hundreds of mudslides, injuring 14 and forcing the cancellation of dozens of flights. Typhoon Sin-laku covered much of Taiwan as its centre grazed the island's northeastern tip yesterday morning. It was expected to change direction and move northeast later yesterday, taking its course toward Okinawa and then on to Japan's major islands.

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## Author found dead

Infinite Jest author David Foster Wallace was found dead on Friday. It has been reported the 46-year-old hanged himself. **REUTERS**

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# Remarriage still not recognized in church

**Pope Benedict said yesterday the Church could not recognize "irregular unions" of Catholics who divorce and remarry outside the Church.**

"Initiatives aimed at blessing irregular unions cannot be admitted," he said in an address to French bishops in the shrine city of Lourdes.

Throughout the developed world, the Church has been struggling with how to administer to Catholics who have divorced and remarried without an annulment — an ecclesiastical declaration that their first union is null and void — but want to remain fully active in the Church.

The Church does not recognize divorce. It considers the first marriage still valid and teaches those who divorce and remarry cannot receive communion unless they abstain from sexual relations with their new partner.

In other remarks, the pope ordered bishops to make space for traditionalists who use the Latin Mass.



Pope Benedict XVI arrives in the pope mobile for the conclusion of the Eucharistic Procession at La Prairie in Lourdes yesterday.

A papal decision last year to allow a much wider use of the old-style mass — a move which traditionalists demanded for decades, but which was opposed by liberals — has met with resistance in some countries, particularly France.

But the pope was firm in

his position. "Everyone has a place in the Church. Every person, without exception, should be able to feel at home and never rejected," he said of those who preferred the Latin Mass instead of the new liturgy in modern languages.

**REUTERS**

## Dozens missing after ferry sinks in Turkey

**ACCIDENT** A ferry carrying about 100 passengers sank near Turkey's northwest port of Bandirma overnight.

At least one person is dead and some 30 others are missing, officials said this morning.

Broadcaster NTV said two people had been killed, but the report could not be independently verified.

Officials said 68 people had been rescued, 31 of whom were injured, but that strong waves and winds were hindering the search.

"It looks like there are

about 30 people who are missing, but this is a guess and that figure could rise or fall," said Selahattin Hatipoglu, governor of Balikesir province.

Passengers do not have to buy individual tickets for ferries that transport vehicles from Bandirma, so the number of people on the vessel was difficult for officials to establish.

Officials said the cause of the sinking was not immediately known. "The ship was rocking back and forth, to the left then to the right, then finally sunk, completely sunk,"

### The rescue

- Local fishermen joined rescue operations when the ferry, loaded with 73 trucks and two cars went down in the Sea of Marmara shortly after leaving Bandirma for Istanbul.

one survivor told CNNTurk television.

Passengers said the ship sank in about 15 minutes and that many of those on board were asleep in their vehicles before it began to go down.

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### News in brief

**ARMS** The Bush administration is pushing through a wide range of foreign weapons deals in a bid to rearm Iraq and Afghanistan and contain North Korea and Iran, The New York Times reported. The deals — totalling \$32 billion this year — range from tanks, helicopters and fighter jets to missiles, remotely piloted aircraft and warships.

**POLITICS** Pagan Amum, a powerful south Sudanese politician lost his cabinet position in a reshuffle yesterday, state media reported.

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## Death for sorcerers: Cleric

**DEMANDS** A senior Saudi cleric has said purveyors of horoscopes on Arab television should face the death penalty, a paper said yesterday, days after another cleric urged the same fate for channel owners who broadcast "indecent" shows.

"Sorcerers who appear on satellite channels who are proven to be sorcerers have committed a great crime ... and the Muslim consensus is that the apostate's punishment is death by the sword," Sheikh

Saleh al-Fozan told al-Madina daily. "Those who call in to these shows should not be accorded Muslim rites when they die," the prominent cleric added.

Many of the hundreds of Arab satellite channels that have sprung up in recent years specialize in horoscopes, offering advice to callers on solving problems.

In their capacity as judges, clerics of Saudi Arabia's austere form of Islam often sentence "sorcerers" to death.

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U.S. video game giant Electronic Arts Inc. has pulled away from an offer to buy rival Take Two Interactive Software Inc. after a pursuit that lasted more than six months. Take Two lost its luster partly because of EA's own strengthening position in the video games market. **REUTERS**

# Business

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## Oil prices fall to six-month low

**U.S. oil prices dropped more than \$2 to a six-month low below \$99 a barrel yesterday as dealers bet on a swift recovery of the nation's energy production after Hurricane Ike and the U.S. government loaned emergency oil to two refiners.**

The losses add to a downwards trend in oil prices since July's peak of over

\$147 a barrel amid mounting evidence that high energy costs and a weakening economy are cutting into fuel consumption.

Oil prices were down \$2.01 at \$99.17 a barrel yesterday after falling as low as \$98.55 – the lowest since Feb. 26.

The U.S. government said yesterday it loaned a total of 309,000 barrels of

strategic crude to two oil refiners having trouble procuring supplies in the storm's wake, ConocoPhillips and Placid Oil.

Even as oil prices fell, gas prices at U.S. pumps shot up more than six cents to nearly \$3.80 a gallon, adding to a five-cent increase yesterday as retail supply concerns mounted in Ike's wake. **REUTERS**

## AIG to sell assets

American International Group Inc., left with deep financial scars from losses on guarantees it wrote to cover mortgage-linked securities, is expected to sell off assets, including a profitable aircraft leasing arm, the Wall Street Journal reported on yesterday. **REUTERS**

### Refineries spared

Twelve of the 15 Texas oil refineries shuttered ahead of Hurricane Ike showed no visible signs of flooding or damage in the storm's wake, a Reuters eyewitness said yesterday, meaning fuel production could resume more quickly than initially thought.

## Tokyo H&M debuts in Japan



A woman carrying a Zara shopping bag walks past the H&M store in Tokyo's Ginza shopping district on the opening day of the chain's first store in ultra-competitive Japan.

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**WIRELESS** Google Inc. is hoping to revolutionize wireless Internet service on mobile phones the way that it transformed search engines on PCs with its new Android software.

The Android phone is depending on independent software developers to build hundreds or even thousands of programs to

run on Google software.

One of Google's challenges will be for web-page access to work on a mobile device as well as it does on a PC. The Android browser is built on the same technology as the new Google Chrome browser.

T-Mobile is expected to introduce the phone on Sept. 23. **REUTERS**

## Business in brief

**TAINTED MILK** New Zealand dairy giant Fonterra said yesterday it had been told in August that its Chinese partner was selling contaminated milk

now linked to the sickness of more than 400 babies and at least one death, as questions arose over how long the problem had been known. **REUTERS**

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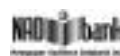
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# Going Green

## Save on wardrobe

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# Election fever is heating up

Become informed about the issues and party positions on the environment

## ScienceMatters

**David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola**



With all the elections coming this fall and winter, global warming is bound to spike up with the increased hot air. South of the border, they're electing a president, and here in Canada we're heading into

a federal election.

It would be great if the environment didn't have to be an election issue. If all political parties recognized it's an issue so critical that it should transcend partisan politics, then we could vote for our party of choice based on its fiscal and social policies. The goal should be to convince all political parties to make the environment the top priority rather than to vote for the party with the best environmental record and policies. But the environment is an election issue, and as our situation stands, it should be the top election issue, especially in our upcoming federal election.

**"It's vitally important for all Canadians to put the environment at the top of the agenda in this election."**

After all, if we keep dragging our heels on environmental protection, our economic and social systems will, at best, face increasing stress from the costs of dealing with environmental health effects and diminishing resources, and, at worst, be moot points.

But it's difficult for voters to cut through all the rhetoric.

I can't tell you which party to vote for; I'm not even sure which one I'll vote for! But I can say that

it's vitally important for all Canadians to put the environment at the top of the agenda in this election. That means becoming informed about the issues and the various party positions on those issues and asking the candidates some direct questions.

I can tell you what I believe are some of the most important issues. Global warming is at the top of the list. Years of inaction by various governments mean that urgent measures are

needed — but it's not a choice between environment and economy. On the contrary, other countries have shown that actions such as shifting from reliance on fossil fuels and other non-renewable energy to renewable sources creates numerous jobs and economic opportunities, as well as reducing carbon emissions that contribute to global warming. I also believe that putting a price on carbon emissions, through measures such as carbon taxes and cap-and-trade systems, is essential and has been shown to be effective in other countries.

If we want democracy to

work, we can't just leave it all up to the politicians. Governments are there to serve us, so it's up to us to let them know what is important to us and what we believe they must do to ensure that we continue to enjoy the quality of life that so many have worked to build in this country. So, get out and vote, but before you do, don't just listen to the candidates — talk to them as well.

Take David Suzuki's Nature Challenge and learn more at [www.david-suzuki.org](http://www.david-suzuki.org).

Dr. David T. Suzuki is a Vancouver-based award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.

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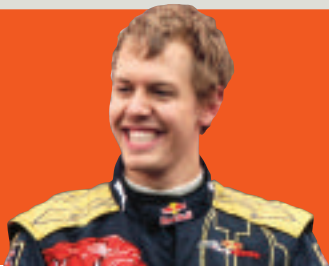


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Sports



Vettel youngest F1 winner ever

Germany's Sebastian Vettel, left, stunned Formula One as the sport's youngest race winner yesterday with an exuberant victory for tiny Toro Rosso at their home Italian Grand Prix. The 21-year-old, already the youngest to start a grand prix on pole position, gave his Ferrari-powered team their first win with a remarkably assured drive through spray and slippery conditions. REUTERS

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# Stamps win despite themselves

## Calgary overcomes 211 yards in penalties thanks to pivot Burris

DAN TOTH  
for Metro Calgary

**Undisciplined penalties could be the downfall of the Calgary Stampeders again this season, despite another impressive win.**

A sensational overall performance Friday night in a convincing 41-30 victory over the visiting Montreal Alouettes was marred by a string of senseless infractions. It has raised a red flag about the team's inability to consistently play within the rules under first-year head coach John Hufnagel, the same problem that faced former bench boss Tom Higgins, who also had trouble keeping his players from taking costly penalties.

The Stampeders were flagged 18 times for 211 yards in their decisive win over the Als, including nearly 100 yards in penalties in the fourth quarter that kept Montreal in the game.

"Too many penalties and that created some problems for us and that was really the bad part of the



Calgary Stampeders quarterback Henry Burris threw for 408 yards and five touchdowns to lead the Stamps to a 41-30 win over the Montreal Alouettes on Friday night.

game," Hufnagel admitted. "We did a lot of good things out there, it was a good team effort, but we've just got to take that part of the game away."

The Stamps appeared to make great strides in that area prior to the Montreal game. The team had enjoyed four consecutive contests without taking more

than a handful of penalties, but that trend was forgotten Friday night. The Stampeders were flagged five times for unnecessary roughness along with calls for objectionable conduct and roughing the passer.

Despite the infractions the win improved the Stamps' Canadian Football League record to 7-4 while

they remain tied with Edmonton — winners over Hamilton Saturday — for second place in the very tight West Division. The teams are two points behind the Saskatchewan Roughriders (8-3) who lost to B.C. (6-5) Saturday.

While Hufnagel intends to meet this week with the guilty parties to discuss the

parade of penalties, other parts of the club's performance have never been more impressive.

Once again quarterback Henry Burris, despite a recent foot injury that has hampered his ability to scramble, posted another impressive outing.

Burris may have enjoyed his best game as a Stampeders by completing 24 of 38 passes for 408 yards and five touchdowns against the East Division's best team.

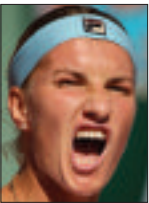
"He was outstanding, spread the ball around and was sharp, precise and he had great vision," gushed Hufnagel.

The Stampeders defence also enjoyed a memorable night, picking off Als QB Anthony Calvillo three times. Calvillo had entered the night with the CFL's best pass efficiency rating.

The victory came without the services of veteran offensive tackle Jeff Pilon, who missed the game with a shoulder injury. Slotback Nik Lewis, who has been nursing bruised ribs, also left the contest in the first half with a knee injury.

# Russia tops Spain to win Fed Cup

**TENNIS** Russia retained their Fed Cup title yesterday after Svetlana Kuznetsova beat Spanish No. 1 Anabel Medina Garrigues in a thrilling match to take an unassailable 3-0 lead.



The world No. 7's 5-7, 6-3, 6-4 victory in two hours and 39 minutes brought Russia their fourth Fed Cup in five years.

# Broncos win after going for two points

**NFL** Eddie Royal caught the game-winning touchdown and two-point conversion late in the fourth quarter, as Jay Cutler engineered a John Elway-esque fourth-quarter drive to lead the Denver Broncos in a thrilling 39-38 victory over the San Diego Chargers.

Cutler finished 36-of-50 passing for 350 yards, four touchdowns. Brandon Marshall caught 18 passes, two shy of the NFL single-game record, and went for 166 yards. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Zambrano tosses a no-hitter

**MLB** Carlos Zambrano threw the first Chicago Cubs no-hitter in 36 years, as the right-hander struck out 10 and walked only one and hit another in Chicago's 5-0 triumph over the red-hot Houston Astros.

The game was played in front of a clearly pro-Chicago crowd at Milwaukee's Miller Park due to the effects Hurricane Ike had on the Gulf Coast area over the weekend.

## Sports in brief

**NFL** Oakland Raiders owner Al Davis is reportedly prepared to fire second-year head coach Lane Kiffin during this season, perhaps as soon today.

**NHL** The Montreal Canadiens acquiring forward Robert Lang from the Chicago Blackhawks on Friday in exchange for a second-round draft pick in 2010.

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# Flames rookies blank Oilers 1-0

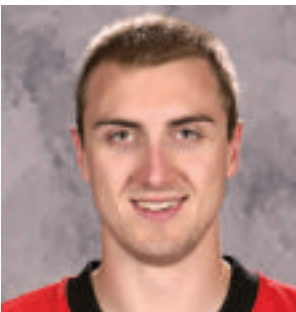
LAURENCE HEINEN  
for Metro Calgary

**NHL** Matt Pelech didn't get the chance to play a pre-season game for the Calgary Flames last year before his first professional season with the Quad City Flames of the American Hockey League.

Last night, Pelech helped lead the Calgary Flames rookies to a 1-0 win over the Edmonton Oilers rookies to kick off a three-day prospects tournament at the Edgeworth Centre in Camrose.

The 6-foot-5, 224-pound defenceman is now looking forward to tonight's game in Camrose against the Vancouver Canucks rookies.

"Playing Vancouver will be cool, too because my uncle (Mike Gillis) is the GM of that team now," said Pelech, who had three goals, six assists and 141



Calgary Flames rookie Matt Pelech is hoping to earn a spot with Calgary's main camp.

penalty minutes in 77 games with Quad City last season. "That'll be cool to get out there and maybe crush some of his (draft) picks. It'll be fun."

Pelech showed off his strength in the second period when he knocked Edmonton forward Bryan Leng to the ice with a big open-ice hit.

"Of course everybody's goal this year is to come in and fight for a spot," said Pelech, who's hoping to

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earn a spot at Calgary's main camp that starts Friday with fitness testing. "That's my goal is to come in and fight for a spot. I want to make it hard for the staff to send me down."

Brett Sutter's shorthanded goal in the first period was all the offence the Flames would need as goalie Matt Keetley made 23 saves to record the shutout.

Fans looking to get their hockey fix can watch tonight's game (7 p.m.) between Calgary and Vancouver on Flames TV at <http://flames.nhl.com>.

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# Workology

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## Anti-intellectualism

The Conservative Party is portraying Liberal leader Stéphane Dion as an out-of-touch, nerdy professor in its election ads, and the use of anti-intellectualism doesn't play well in Canada, according to CAUT president James Turk.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Workplaces look to Facebook

RAFAEL BRUSILOV  
for Metro Canada



**Most people consider sites like Facebook to be a fun diversion but an increasing number of businesses are copying those sites' ways of getting people to work together.**

Derek Burney, a general manager at Microsoft, says that as business continues to evolve with technology, the sheer quantity of information grows — along with the need to manage it all effectively.

"The corporate landscape is changing — there's just

an incredible amount of information people are dealing with today and so much information out there is coming at you from all directions," Burney said.

Traditional e-mail collaboration usually leads to an avalanche of e-mails, multiple copies of the same file being shuttled back and forth and seldom a clear idea of which copy is the most recent. Many businesses are instead looking enviously towards social networking sites, hoping emulate their quick and easy style of information exchange.

"We hear a lot that these social networking applica-



Facebook and other sites like it may be popular as social networking tools, but some companies are looking to incorporate them, as well.

tions are productivity killers but the reality is they can feed productivity because as people share what they are thinking, they start

to collaborate," Burney said.

The business applications are obvious: Facebook and similar social networking sites allow users to group

and communicate with each other electronically, send information viewable only by selected members and collaborate easily over any distance. Many businesses are finally starting to clue in by starting their own Facebook-style internal networks or using business-networking applications like Microsoft's Sharepoint software.

"We're building Facebook-style desktop experiences rather than web pages," said Peter Carson, president of Envision IT which helped develop Sharepoint and created internal sites for businesses

including The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, Canadian Tire and College Pro Painters. Carson says smaller companies have so far been more conducive to adopting the technology but expects bigger firms will slowly embrace it.

Burney says a generation gap does still exist between younger users already comfortable with social networking and older ones less enthused about it but insists corporations need to provide the kinds of tools the younger generation is accustomed to using if they want their workforce to stay competitive.

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## Acting on the swing

### OddJobs

Diane Peters



If you go out to see a big, touring musical this year — say, the Monty Python inspired Spamalot — keep in mind that every actor mentioned in your program might not be onstage that night. Actors get sick, they pull muscles in dance numbers and they sometimes need a vacation from a nonstop tour.

Lead actors get covered by their understudies. But what about smaller roles? Those jobs get taken care of by swing actors. These masters of multitasking have to know multiple parts and perform them as perfectly as the regular actor.

That's what 25-year-old Graham Bowen is doing for Spamalot, which he joined in April 2007. Bowen knows all the lines, singing lines and dance steps for six en-

semble roles in the show. These parts are multiple roles in themselves: the actors switch throughout the show to play as many as five characters like knights, monks and nuns.

Bowen began acting at age nine and moved from Columbus, Ohio, to New York City at age 11. He went to a performing arts high school there and got a break doing Big: The Musical in 1996 and has worked steadily ever since. "I consider myself a triple threat: equal parts dancer, singer and actor."

He was first asked to be a swing for the 2003 Broadway revival of Gypsy. "I'd never done a swing job before, it took a lot of trial and error." He auditioned specifically to be a swing for Spamalot, knowing it would be a challenging job that would never get dull.

He got the job, as well as the assignment of dance caption for the show. (For this job, he's responsible for making sure everyone in the show sticks to the choreography.) At the start of the three-week rehearsal process, Bowen mainly took notes. "It's the swing's job to watch all of those guys and follow every thing that they do." He joined in when the ensemble sang together, and did dance moves off in the wings. He also worked outside of rehearsal time to hone his lines and singing parts.

During the show's run,

### The Lowdown

**Job title:** Swing actor  
**Salary:** \$70,000 to \$90,000  
**Education/training:** Training in acting, dancing and singing — either from a theatre school or through professional classes and workshops  
**Best Part of the Job:** "You get to always be doing something new, it never gets boring."  
**Worst Part of the Job:** "Those nights that you really want to be onstage and you're not."

Bowen and the three other swings show up at the same time as the other actors, even if they're not expected to go on — someone could become unwell at the last minute or get injured during the show. Bowen can go several nights without acting onstage, but he can also play as many as four different roles in one week. "We swings are never sitting on the sidelines for long."

That's partly because most of the ensemble actors act as understudies for the lead roles. One night on the tour, a lead actor was out, an ensemble player was on holiday and another took ill. With just two male swing actors, the cast had a major problem. One of the female swings took one of the roles — the one that didn't involve lifting anyone during dance numbers — and the show went on.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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# Entertainment

## Invisible Alba

Actress Jessica Alba is to play a mathematics genius in a new movie, *Invisible*. Alba won the role after *Ugly Betty* commitments forced America Ferrera to pull out.

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# Twist tops Billboard list

Chubby Checker single named most popular on All-Time Hot 100 chart

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI  
for Metro Canada

**It's a favourite pastime for music junkies everywhere: debating the best recordings of all time. Well, you can stop the arguing because Billboard has the answer — Chubby Checker's version of The Twist.**

While it might surprise some that a Beatles tune didn't top Billboard's All-Time Hot 100 chart, which the publication's editors compiled in honour of the mag's 50th anniversary, *The Twist* was a powerhouse of a song when it was released in 1960.

"It was on the charts for 39 weeks," says Geoff Mayfield, Billboard's director of charts. "And it was the only song to hit No. 1 twice — in 60 and 61."

The Beatles did have one tune in the top 10 — Hey Jude ranked No. 8, while Santana's Smooth, Bobby Darin's Mack The Knife, LeAnn Rimes' How Do I Live and Los Del Rio's Macarena rounded out the top 5.

Mayfield says the Beatles could have charted higher, except for one problem — they were always competing against themselves. "During one week in 1964 they owned every title in the top five," says the Billboard chart guru. "Fewer songs went No. 1 than people realize."

However, the

**The Twist, a single Chubby Checker, right, released in 1960, has been named the biggest chart hit of all time by Billboard magazine.**

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band did top Billboard's All-Time Top Artists chart, with Madonna, Elton John, Elvis Presley and Stevie Wonder trailing closely behind. Topping this list was easy for the

Fab Four, they had 20 No. 1 songs in their career and 71 titles landed on the Billboard Hot 100.

But Elvis could have been No. 1, if only the Hot 100 was around eight years earlier. "There's certainly a possibility that he would have topped the All-Time Artists chart," says Mayfield. "He had 108 singles on the Hot 100, but ten of his No. 1 hits launched before our chart did."

To compile the All-Time Hot 100 list, Billboard's staff took a look at all

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the singles that made the charts in the last 50 years, and assigned weightings based on era, how long a song charted for and what positions it held.

So what can musicphiles learn from this list? "It's a fun snapshot of the songs that succeeded in their era, while the artists list is a view of whose popularity has endured. In order to rank high on the charts you had to more than just a flash in the pan."

## Box office

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theatres:

- 1 Burn After Reading:** \$19.4 million US
- 2 The Family That Preys:** \$18 million
- 3 Righteous Kill:** \$16.5 million
- 4 The Women:** \$10.1 million
- 5 The House Bunny:** \$4.3 million
- 6 Tropic Thunder :** \$4.2 million
- 7 The Dark Knight:** \$4 million
- 8 Bangkok Dangerous:** \$2.4 million
- 9 Traitor:** \$2.1 million
- 10 Death Race:** \$2 million

REUTERS

# Australia grants Snoop a visa, plus counselling

**Australia granted gangsta rapper Snoop Dogg a visa on Friday after public complaints over a planned tour in October, but said he would be required to undergo counseling before arriving Down Under.**

Snoop Dogg, whose real name is Cordozar Calvin Broadus Jr., was refused permission to even apply for a visa to enter Australia in

2007 because of his criminal record, sinking plans for him to co-host the MTV Australia Video Music Awards

Australian immigration officials last month cleared an October visit, but then demanded more information after a spate of public complaints



Snoop Dogg

from Australian victims of crime groups.

"We took into account all relevant factors and, on balance, the department decided to grant the visa," an immigration spokesman said.

Oscar-winning Australian actor Russell Crowe this week wrote a letter to immigration officials

to support Snoop Dogg's visa application and 17-day Smoked Out tour. Crowe said Snoop Dogg had pledged to do charity work with at-risk youths while in Australia.

"I submit to you that Snoop Dogg poses no threat to Australia or to any individual in this country," Crowe wrote.

The spokesman said the visa will be canceled if Snoop

failed to abide by the law during his visit to Australia and strict behavior rules to abide by while in the country.

Snoop Dogg was first barred by Australia's conservative government, which lost power last year to the Labor government of Prime Minister Kevin Rudd. Labor has steadily softened tough immigration laws while in power.

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## Simpsons wins cartoon Emmy

**TV** The Simpsons once again claimed television's highest honour for a prime-time cartoon Saturday at the Creative Arts Emmy Awards, extending the show's record winning streak.

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## BookPicks

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**Publisher:** HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.  
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In the title British town, Harriet Marsh is spending one night atop a cathedral as a fire-watcher. In 1940's Britain, that means staking out the skies for the inevitable German offensive that will shake Coventry to its core. In story that balances hope and tragedy with Harriet's memories of love and loss, Humphreys evokes strong imagery while maintaining an involving narrative.



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## The Year of Eating Dangerously

**Author:** Tom Parker Bowles  
**Publisher:** St. Martin's Griffin  
**Price:** \$16.95 (Paperback)

In a veritable gastronomic atlas, British food critic Tom Parker Bowles (Camilla's son) takes readers on a world journey lead by the writer's adventurous palate. Travelling from his native England through nations in Europe, North America and Asia, Parker Bowles introduces the origins and discovery of non-traditional dishes and delicacies in a work that is as much food criticism as it is equal parts travelogue, history and geography. Parker Bowles not only sinks his teeth into local fare, but into the lives and lessons of farmers and friends that he meets.

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## Carey making big-screen return

**FILM** Seven years after her disastrous movie headlining debut *Glitter*, pop star Mariah Carey will return to theaters in December. Vivendi Entertainment has acquired all domestic rights to the road trip drama *Tennessee*, which premiered at this spring's Tribeca Film Festival in New York.

REUTERS

## ABBA museum in Sweden delayed

**MUSIC** A new museum devoted to the pop supergroup ABBA will not open as planned next year, but organizers say the project will definitely still go ahead. A 100-year-old waterfront building was being renovated for the four-level museum in Stockholm.

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## Slumdog takes top prize at TIFF

**FILM FEST** *Slumdog Millionaire*, a tribute to the Indian metropolis of Mumbai and a story about a dream, won the top award at the Toronto Film Festival Saturday.

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## Gossip dad

Wallace Shawn (The Princess Bride, Clueless) is joining Gossip Girl for a multi-episode arc as Cyrus, father to Serena's new artsy boyfriend Aaron (John Patrick Amedori). **EW.COM**



# Fall season flails along

**FALLING FAST:** The fall TV season has stumbled out of the gate with a lot of not particularly good news about shows that were supposed to take over our lives like food poisoning after a frat house cookout.

Weeks of relentless publicity carried out in spite of a lock-out that prevented critics from previewing the debut episode didn't end up doing the 90210 revival any favours, as the CW show lost almost 30 per cent of its viewers by its second week on the air, hinting that a lot of new shows are likely to lose traction from viewers more curious than committed.

Poor omen No. 2 is the disappointing turnout for J. J. Abrams' Fringe, which only attracted 9.1 million viewers for its premiere on Fox.

"Only" 9.1 million is, of course, a number that has to be put through the executive TV business translator — shows survive on cable for years with a fraction of those numbers, after all — and the indispensable Lisa de Moraes of the Wash-

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ington Post broke down the Fringe numbers in a column last week.

Fox turned that frown upside down by calling it the most watched network drama premiere in two years, but de Moraes noted the qualifier — that this was only true "excluding premieres following sports and American Idol."

Using Fox's fine-tuned logic, that would make Fringe's debut the biggest single TV program audience ever in a month starting with an S, in a week with a hurricane alert, on a night where the governor of Alaska is getting more news coverage than said hurricane, and in the house where the show's set decorator lives.

By comparison, de Moraes points out, Fringe's first night did worse than

**"That would make Fringe's debut the biggest single TV program audience ever in a month starting with an S, in a week with a hurricane alert."**

the 2006 debut of Standoff, the hostage-negotiators-in-love police drama that limped to the end of its 18-episode run but remains unmemorialized on DVD.

And since Standoff hit the air two years and four days before Fringe, the latter show can claim its title with an untroubled conscience.

Then de Moraes gets really mean, pointing out that Lost, Abrams' big hit, pulled in 19 million viewers on bottom-ranked ABC four years ago, not number one Fox, adding another four million viewers by its second week.

Fringe might top 10 million viewers with its second episode this week, but it would only manage this prodigious feat after luke-warm-to-hostile reviews and by flaunting the "go ahead, impress me" impatience of viewers.

Fox might have more

bad news coming compliments another TV creator whose reputation outstrips his track record, with the news that Joss Whedon has shut down production on his new series Dollhouse for two weeks.

A TV week story reported that Fox was concerned with how unsympathetic the character played by the show's lead, Eliza Dushku, was coming off in already-complete episodes.

Whedon has already shifted the show's pilot to episode 2 and rewritten the premiere; these failures of nerve are being excused as business as usual, but to viewers whose patience is diminishing as their viewing options are increasing, this might mean the fall season is setting itself up for a big, sloppy wet face-plant.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

## McGregor in talks to join Clooney in Iraq spy drama

**FILM** Ewan McGregor is in talks to join George Clooney in the Iraq-set drama The Men Who Stare at Goats. Based on the book by the Guardian columnist Jon Ronson, the Mandate Pictures project centres on a desperate reporter (McGregor) who stumbles upon the story of a lifetime when he meets a man (Clooney) who claims to be a former secret U.S. military psychic spy who was reactivated post-9/11.

Directed by Clooney's production partner Grant Heslov, Goats chronicles

the pair's travels through Iraq and offers glimpses into the supposedly real secret Army unit tasked with creating soldiers with paranormal powers.

Clooney and Heslov's Smoke House and BBC Films are co-producing the feature, which is eyeing an early October production start date.



Ewan McGregor

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## Sheridan to direct adaptation of I, Claudius

**FILM** Filmmaker Jim Sheridan will direct an adaptation of the classic novel I, Claudius which is best known as the basis for the 1976 BBC miniseries starring Derek Jacobi as the stuttering Roman emperor.

Robert Graves' 1934 novel recounts the internecine plots and counterplots surrounding Claudius, who ruled from 41-54 A.D. Born into a murderous, imperial family, he used his cunning mind and rivals' mis-

judgment to not only survive but become one of Rome's greatest emperors. It went on to be adapted into a 1937 film directed starring Charles Laughton.

Sheridan is known for dramas such as In America and My Left Foot.

His latest movie is the upcoming Brothers, starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Tobey Maguire and Natalie Portman.

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## critics'corner

### Body Remix - Goldberg Variations

The theme is freedom, and the method is props — lots of them. In this new special, choreographer Marie Chouinard puts 10 dancers through a variety of moves making use of crutches, harnesses, prostheses, ropes and other devices in addition to their own bodies. As you might have guessed from the title, the musical accompaniment is Johann Sebastian Bach's "Goldberg Variations." 7 PM on BRAVO



### Batman Begins

Christian Bale is the latest actor to assume the role of Gotham City's caped crusader — or, more accurately in this case, Dark Knight — in director Christopher Nolan's ("Memento") reinterpretation of the saga. Batman's alter ego, Bruce Wayne, is assisted by several mentors (Liam Neeson, Morgan Freeman, Michael Caine) en route to teaming up with a childhood friend (Katie Holmes) to stop the fearsome Scarecrow (Cillian Murphy). 8 PM on CHTV



## Celebrity Buzz

## Anderson to Palin: 'Suck it'

**POLITICS** Don't expect former Baywatch star Pamela Anderson to support Republican vice-presidential nominee Sarah Palin, the New York Daily News reports.

Anderson, who was in Toronto for a speech railing against the abuse of animals in Hollywood, let loose on the Alaska governor. When Anderson was asked if she saw a recent Newsweek article that included a picture of a bear hide in Palin's office, Anderson took aim at Palin.

"I can't stand her," Anderson told E! News Weekend Canada. "She can suck it!"

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## Lohan denies she's marrying Ronson

**RELATIONSHIPS** Lindsay Lohan has denied reports she is set to wed rumoured girlfriend Samantha Ronson, imdb.com reports.

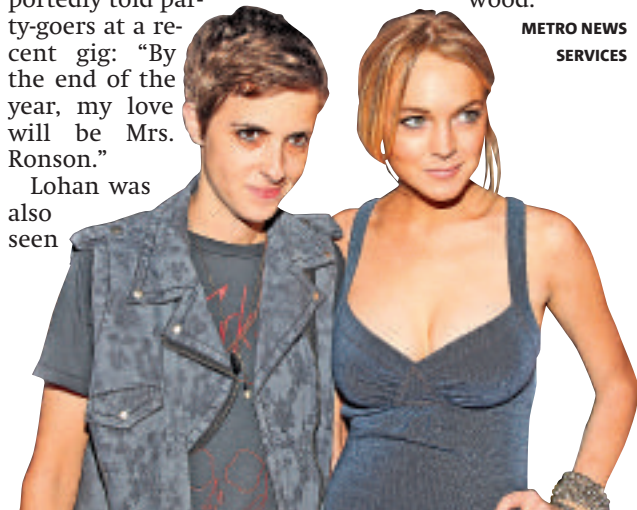
The actress was allegedly planning to walk down the aisle with the Los Angeles DJ, after Ronson reportedly told party-goers at a recent gig: "By the end of the year, my love will be Mrs. Ronson."

Lohan was also seen

sporting a diamond on her left ring finger, fuelling speculation about impending nuptials.

"They (reporters) lie. She bought it (the ring) herself. It's an antique ring that she found at an antiques store in NYC," a Lohan rep tells Access Hollywood.

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## Richie reacts unkindly to fan's photo: Report

**OUTBURST** Nicole Richie clashed with a fan outside a New York nightclub, according to reports.

The socialite allegedly became angry when a tourist attempted to take her picture as she left an after-party at Country Club, hosted by Mark and Samantha Ronson's fashion designer sister Charlotte as part of New York Fashion Week, imdb.com reports.

New York



Post gossip column PageSix reports that Richie took offence and allegedly broke the girl's camera. "A young tourist was trying to take her photo," a source

tells PageSix. Richie reportedly shouted, 'I'm not an animal' then jumped over the velvet rope, ripped the camera out of the girl's hand, and smashed it to the ground."

A representative for Richie could not be reached.

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## DeGeneres scolds Seacrest, tells him to settle down

**PEOPLE** Newlywed Ellen DeGeneres has warned Ryan Seacrest to find a girlfriend soon before he gets too old to settle down, imdb.com reports.

DeGeneres wed her girlfriend Portia De Rossi last month, and now the talk-show host is urging the 33-year-old American Idol presen-

ter to sort out his personal life before it is too late. Speaking on her Ellen DeGeneres show, she says, "You're going to wait too long and get in a rut being single. You have to let go and be with someone. You're a great guy. You're funny, you're smart. You're getting old."

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## celebrity brief

## Fox may prefer male friends

**PEOPLE** Megan Fox hates actresses, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The Transformers star admits she hasn't got any female friends in the industry and prefers hanging out with her male friends.

"I only had one girlfriend when I was growing up. Most of my friends were boys."

"I was such a tomboy."

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## celebrity briefs

## I'm no diva, Scarlett says

**PEOPLE** Scarlett Johansson has denied she is prone to "diva-like" behaviour, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 23-year-old actress has hit out at reports suggesting she is difficult to work with, claiming doesn't let her success go to her head.

"I'm not (a diva). I live a very modest and private lifestyle. Things get crazy with the media, but am I demanding or travel with a huge entourage? No!"

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## Butler's wild and crazy times

**PEOPLE** Gerard Butler was so wild in his youth he was convinced he would die young, imdb.com reports.

Butler gave up alcohol in his mid-20s because he would go off the rails when he was drunk. "I was totally wild," Butler tells British magazine Marie Claire. "I would headbutt walls, punch walls. I definitely had a suicide wish. I once woke up in Paris at 4 a.m., five miles from where I'd been at a party. I had gashes to my head, my face, my arms, and I had blood all over my clothes. To this day, I don't know what happened."

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## "This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

At last, **Pam Anderson** has weighed in regarding the U.S. election. **Sarah Palin** "...can suck it," opined the Canadian-born actress. Nice to know that Anderson, with her beauty beginning to fade, has her incisive intelligence and Kennedy School of Government education to fall back on. The issue would appear to be the presence of a bearskin rug seen in Palin's office.

Anderson, a longtime PETA activist, cannot abide cruelty to animals, and it's alleged that Palin forced the bear to watch Pammie's V.I.P. television series before she shot it. I don't know what the problem with Palin's being a hunting enthusiast is. Seems to me that the bear is dead, and unlike current Vice President **Dick Cheney**, she didn't to shoot anyone in the face while hunting it, so full points for marksmanship.

Anyway, with the opinions of actuarial math whiz **Good Matt Damon**, and the **Kentucky Colonel Hater** now accounted for, it looks like Hollywood is finally getting back to doing what they do best: unwittingly helping to elect Republicans to the Oval Office. I can only hope Anderson won't neglect comment on the federal election being waged in the country of her birth.

Pammie, **Stephen Harper**'s on Line 1. He's wearing leather pants, eating from a bucket of extra crispy, and he wants you to tell Canadians exactly what you think of him.

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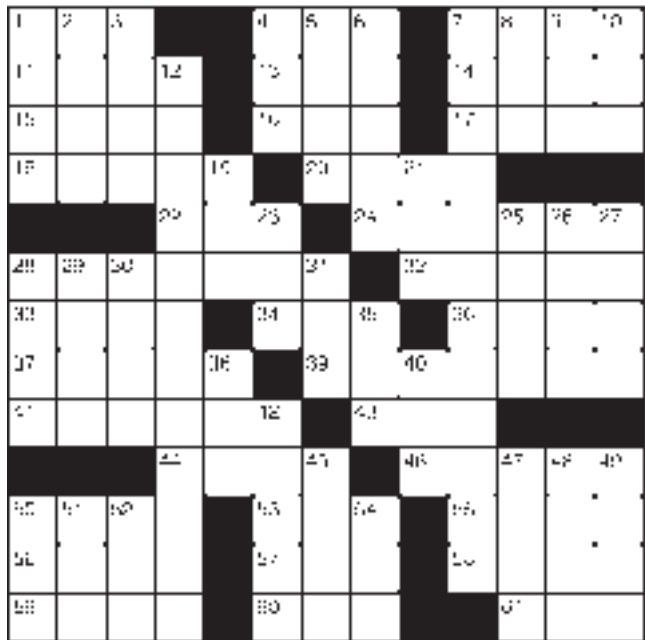


Shelton to play House

House has admitted Samantha Shelton (Monarch Cove) to play a fitness instructor who comes down with a stupefying illness in a November episode. [EW.COM](#)



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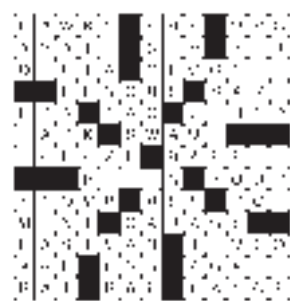
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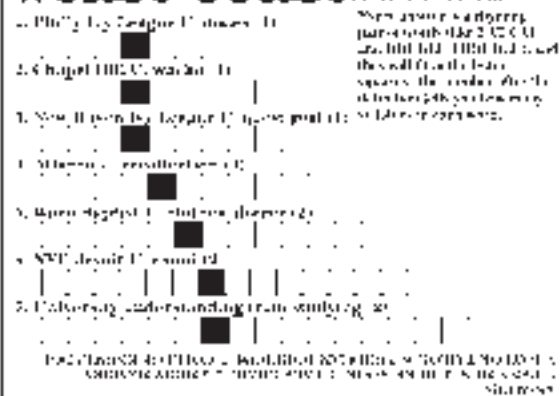
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18 Confuse  
20 Lends a hand
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24 Rough struggle  
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33 "That hurts!"  
34 Beer holder  
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57 Author Fleming  
58 Mentor  
59 Bosc or Bartlett  
60 Old soap ingredient  
61 Ball prop

previous day's answer



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This day in history

SEPT. 15, 1616: The first non-aristocratic, free public school in Europe is opened in Frascati, Italy.  
SEPT. 15, 1835: The HMS Beagle, with Charles Darwin aboard, reaches the Galápagos Islands.  
SEPT. 15, 1916: World War I: Tanks are used for the first time in battle, at the Battle of the Somme.  
SEPT. 15, 1935: Nuremberg Laws deprive German Jews of citizenship. Nazi Germany adopts a new national flag with the swastika.  
SEPT. 15, 1944: Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill meet in Quebec as part of the Octagon Conference to discuss strategy.  
SEPT. 15, 2004: NHL commissioner Gary Bettman announced a lockout of the players union and cessation of operations by the NHL head office.

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

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VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

Ask a faker to avoid telling all about an illness. Elation erupts when someone is open to understanding. Issues can be understood with clarity.



LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

There's socializing in store for a visitor. Partners are unexpectedly nurturing after hearing happy news. It's a peak period for your imagination.



SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

A disturbance provokes disappointment. Nostalgia develops for the good old days. Make plans to be less disciplined for a while.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Being confident will make a difference. A guilty person made a sneaky mistake. Today's gossip frenzy is about a couple.



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Everything seems to come with little effort. Grant someone's wish just because you can. A message comes from a puzzling person.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Someone touches your heart with their devotion. Shocking details are found in ordinary events. Concentrate your efforts on a friendly guy.



PISCES

FEB 19-MAR 20

Your privileges will be acknowledged. Go through the day with your mind focussed on co-operation. Everyone decides to compromise.



Sudoku

2			5		8			
1	6						2	8
	4			1		5		
	5		6	4				9
		4				3		
9				7	2		5	
		6		2			7	
8	1						9	3
			8		4			2

21-25 min . . . . . Not bad

25+ min . . . . . Keep practising

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26°

Tonight  
  
Clear.  
Low 7°

Tuesday  
  
Sunny.  
22° / 5°

Wednesday  
  
Sunny.  
24° / 6°

Thursday  
  
Partly cloudy.  
24° / 6°

Temperature Normals  
High: 17.4°  
Low: 3.6°

Records  
High: 30.6°/1979  
Low: -6.1°/1921

Sunrise: 7:12 a.m.  
Sunset: 7:48 p.m.  
Moonset: 7:39 a.m.  
Moonrise: 7:38 p.m.

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